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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of the Transfer and Sale of
Property Located in Franklin, North Carolina
Docket No. 2017-280-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed and does not oppose the filing submitted by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("Company") for the transfer and sale of property in Franklin, NC ("Property") to Braddock Way Development, LLC ("Braddock").

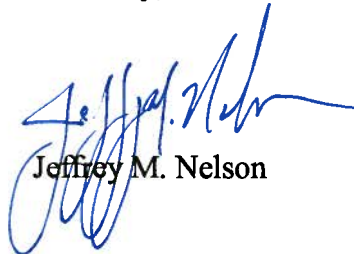
South Carolina Code Ann. § 58-27-1300 requires the Company to obtain permission from the Public Service Commission of South Carolina when the Company wishes to "...sell, assign, transfer, lease, consolidate, or merge..." real property with a fair market value in excess of \$1,000,000.

The Property was marketed through Macon County by the North Carolina Economic Development Director who put the Company in touch with Braddock, who is not in any way affiliated with the Company. The Company then entered into a contract with Braddock to sell the Property for \$3,600,000. The Property is a parcel of vacant land containing an area of 9.061 acres or 392,040 square feet with an appraised value of \$2,980,000. The Property is located at Siler Road, Franklin, North Carolina 28734, and was purchased to site a substation to serve a residential neighborhood. However, it has been determined that the substation will be developed on another parcel of land rendering the Property as surplus.

The original cost of the Property being sold will be credited as a reduction of the amount carried upon the books of the Company under Account 101, "Electric Plant in Service." The difference between the sales price and the original cost of the non-depreciable Property will be applied to Account 421.10, "Gain on Disposition of Property."

Thank you for your consideration in this matter and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns regarding the matter above.

Sincerely,



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